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So (two-thirds being in the affirmative) the rules were suspended and the bill, as amended, was passed.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE CLERK OF THE HOUSE

The SPEAKER laid before the House the following communication from the Clerk of the House of Representatives:

> OFFICE OF THE CLERK. House of Representatives, Washington, DC, June 23, 2017.

Hon. PAUL D. RYAN,

Speaker, House of Representatives.

Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: I have the honor to transmit herewith a scanned copy of a letter received from The Honorable Nathan Deal, Governor, the State of Georgia, indicating that, according to the preliminary results of the Special Election held June 20, 2017, the Honorable Karen Handel was elected Representative to Congress for the Sixth Congressional District of Georgia.

With best wishes, I am. Sincerely,

KAREN L. HAAS.

STATE OF GEORGIA OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR, Atlanta, GA, June 21, 2017.

Hon. KAREN L. HAAS, Clerk, House of Representatives, Washington, DC.

DEAR MS. HAAS: This is to advise you that the unofficial results of the Special Election held on Tuesday, June 20, 2017, for Representative in Congress from the Sixth Congressional District of Georgia, show that Karen Handel received 134,595 or 51,87% of the total number of votes cast for that office.

It would appear from these unofficial results that Karen Handel was elected as Representative in Congress from the Sixth Congressional District of Georgia.

To the best of our knowledge and belief at this time, there is no contest to this elec-

As soon as the official results are certified to this office by all counties/precincts involved, an official Certificate of Election will be prepared for transmittal as required by law

Sincerely.

NATHAN DEAL, Governor.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE CLERK OF THE HOUSE

The SPEAKER laid before the House the following communication from the Clerk of the House of Representatives:

> OFFICE OF THE CLERK, HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, Washington, DC, June 22, 2017.

Hon. PAUL D. RYAN,

Speaker, House of Representatives,

Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: I have the honor to transmit herewith a scanned copy of a letter received from Ms. Marci Andino, Executive Director, South Carolina Election Commission, indicating that, according to the preliminary results of the Special Election held June 20, 2017, the Honorable Ralph Norman was elected Representative to Congress for the Fifth Congressional District of South Carolina.

With best wishes, I am,

Sincerely,

SOUTH CAROLINA ELECTION COMMISSION, Columbia, SC, June 22, 2017.

KAREN L. HAAS.

Hon. KAREN L. HAAS,

Clerk, House of Representatives,

Washington, DC.

DEAR Ms. HAAS: This is to advise you that the unofficial results of the Special Election held on Tuesday, June 20, 2017, for Representative in Congress from the Fifth Congressional District of South Carolina, show that Ralph Norman received 44,906 votes or 51.1% of the total number of votes cast for that of-

It would appear from these unofficial results that Ralph Norman was elected as Representative in Congress from the Fifth Congressional District of South Carolina.

To the best of our knowledge and belief at this time, there is no contest to this elec-

As soon as the official results are certified to this office by all counties involved and the State Board of Canvassers certifies the official results, a certification of the official results will be prepared and transmitted to the S.C. Secretary of State as required by law.

Sincerely.

MARCI ANDINO. Executive Director.

SWEARING IN OF THE HONORABLE KAREN C. HANDEL, OF GEORGIA. AS A MEMBER OF THE HOUSE

Mr. LEWIS of Georgia. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that the gentlewoman from Georgia, the Honorable Karen C. Handel, be permitted to the oath of office today.

Her certificate of election has not arrived, but there is no contest and no question has been raised with regard to her election.

The SPEAKER. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Georgia?

There was no objection.

SWEARING IN OF THE HONORABLE RALPH NORMAN, $_{
m OF}$ SOUTH CAROLINA, AS A MEMBER OF THE HOUSE

Mr. CLYBURN. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that the gentleman from South Carolina, the Honorable Ralph Norman, be permitted to take the oath of office today.

His certificate of election has not arrived, but there is no contest and no question has been raised with regard to his election.

The SPEAKER. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from South Carolina?

There was no objection.

SWEARING IN OF MEMBERS-ELECT

The SPEAKER. Will the Representatives-elect please present themselves in the well.

The Representatives-elect will please raise their right hand.

Mrs. HANDEL of Georgia, and Mr. NORMAN of South Carolina appeared at the bar of the House and took the oath of office, as follows:

Do you solemnly swear that you will support and defend the Constitution of the United States against all enemies, foreign and domestic; that you will bear true faith and allegiance to the same; that you take this obligation freely, without any mental reservation or purpose of evasion; and that you will well and faithfully discharge the duties of the office on which you are about to enter, so help you God.

The SPEAKER. Congratulations. You are now Members of the 115th Congress.

WELCOMING THE HONORABLE KAREN HANDEL TO THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The SPEAKER. Without objection, the gentleman from Georgia (Mr. LEWIS) is recognized for 1 minute.

There was no objection.

Mr. LEWIS of Georgia. Mr. Speaker, I rise to welcome the newest member of the Georgia congressional delegation, Representative KAREN HANDEL, serving the Sixth Congressional District in our beautiful State.

I want to congratulate KAREN on becoming the first Republican woman ever elected to the House of Representatives from the State of Georgia. She was actually born in the District of Columbia, and was raised in Upper Marlboro, Maryland. So she is returning home.

She was president and CEO of the Greater Fulton County Georgia Chamber of Commerce, Deputy Chief of Staff to then-Governor and now Secretary of Agriculture Sonny Perdue, chairman of the Fulton County Board of Commissioners, and Secretary of State of GeorThe Georgia delegation is Democrats and Republicans, but we are a family. We are trying to do our very best to serve the people in our district, in our State, and to work on behalf of the people of this great Nation.

I welcome KAREN and her husband, Steve.

If you should need my help, please feel free to call on me.

I wish her well, and I look forward to serving with her.

Mr. Speaker, I yield to the gentleman from Georgia (Mr. GRAVES), my friend and brother.

Mr. GRAVES of Georgia. Mr. Speaker, it is my joy today to be able to introduce the newest voice of the Georgia delegation, Congresswoman KAREN HANDEL.

I have known KAREN for many years. She is a self-made woman with a very humble start, but a successful story. She and her husband, Steve, have a track record of service that is above none other. She has fought hard for the things that she believes in, much like us: balanced budgets, better jobs, and defending innocent lives. I know she will bring those same qualities that have made her such a great servant and leader here to Congress today.

Now, if I know anything about KAREN, she is going to hit the ground running. So get ready.

I am also glad to be able to join with Congressman Lewis and to share with you that KAREN is making history tonight as being the first Republican Congresswoman to serve in either the House or the Senate from the State of Georgia. This is a proud moment for our State.

So, KAREN, you are an inspiration. You are an inspiration to all the young women throughout Georgia and throughout the country, including my two daughters.

I am pleased to welcome and to introduce to you Georgia's newest voice, a fighter for the State of Georgia, Congresswoman KAREN HANDEL.

Mr. LEWIS of Georgia. Mr. Speaker, I yield to the gentlewoman from Georgia (Mrs. HANDEL).

Mrs. HANDEL. Mr. Speaker, Congressman Lewis, Congressman Graves, the entire Georgia delegation, to all of you, my new colleagues and soon-to-be very good friends, and to my family and friends in the gallery, I thank you.

Now, I am not sure you have heard enough about this particular race. No, you really have. I am going to be very brief.

This is an extraordinary honor and the greatest privilege that I think I have ever had. I look forward to serving the people of the Sixth District, to serving the people of Georgia, and to being a good coworker and friend to each and every one of you.

Thank you for this opportunity. Thank you for welcoming me so graciously. God bless you, God bless the great State of Georgia, and God bless the great United States of America.

WELCOMING THE HONORABLE RALPH NORMAN TO THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The SPEAKER. Without objection, the gentleman from South Carolina (Mr. CLYBURN) is recognized for 1 minute.

There was no objection.

Mr. CLYBURN. Mr. Speaker, it is my privilege, as dean of the South Carolina delegation, to introduce to this Chamber Representative RALPH NORMAN.

Mr. NORMAN is from Rock Hill in York County, South Carolina. He is a real estate developer, a graduate of Presbyterian College, and previously served in the South Carolina Legislature. He and his wife, Elaine Rice Norman, have four children: Warren III, Caroline, Anne, and Mary Catherine.

Last Tuesday, June 20, Mr. NORMAN won the special election in South Carolina's Fifth District to fill the vacancy created when former Congressman Mick Mulvaney became Director of the Office of Management and Budget.

Now it is my pleasure to yield to the gentleman from South Carolina (Mr. WILSON), representing the Second Congressional District, for further introduction.

Mr. WILSON of South Carolina. Mr. Speaker, it is a great honor tonight to be here with Congressman CLYBURN on a very extraordinary evening. To me, it is a dream come true.

Eleven days ago, I had the opportunity—my wife, Roxanne, and I—to campaign across the Fifth Congressional District by bus. As we traveled the district with RALPH and Elaine NORMAN, I found out that his business background gives him the basis to understand how to create jobs. I saw his affection for our veterans and his understanding of the importance of a strong national defense. In particular, with Shaw Air Force Base in the district, he understands a strong national defense.

It was so inspiring, also, to be with their four grown children who are each successful. And he has a real interest to be successful because he has 15 grandchildren. What an achievement. Members understand this is really important.

For the past 7 years, I am really grateful that he has been a floor leader for Governor Nikki Haley, now our Ambassador to the United Nations, where he has been a floor leader for limited government and expanded freedom.

It is with great honor I introduce to you Congressman RALPH NORMAN.

Mr. CLYBURN. Mr. Speaker, I yield to the gentleman from South Carolina (Mr. NORMAN).

Mr. NORMAN. Mr. Speaker, members of my South Carolina Congressional delegation, it is an honor to be here. Let me have my family and friends stand. It is South Carolina's Brady Bunch. You all stand up there.

It is a tremendous honor to serve with such an esteemed group. I think it is a special time in history. As Con-

gressman Lewis said, we are family. With the shooting of Steve Scalise, we know that we are all Americans.

We have got such an opportunity, and I look forward to playing a part in working with Members to move this country forward.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER

The SPEAKER. Under clause 5(d) of rule XX, the Chair announces to the House that, in light of the administration of the oath to the gentlewoman from Georgia and the gentleman from South Carolina, the whole number of the House is 434.

ACTIVE DUTY VOLUNTARY ACQUISITION OF NECESSARY CREDENTIALS FOR EMPLOYMENT ACT

The SPEAKER. Without objection, 5-minute voting will continue.

There was no objection.

The SPEAKER. The unfinished business is the vote on the motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill (H.R. 2258) to require that certain standards for commercial driver's licenses applicable to former members of the armed services or reserves also apply to current members of the armed services or reserves, as amended, on which the yeas and nays were ordered.

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The SPEAKER. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from Missouri (Mr. GRAVES) that the House suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended.

This is a 5-minute vote.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 409, nays 0, not voting 24, as follows:

[Roll No. 324] YEAS—409

Abraham Brown (MD) Cooper Adams Brownley (CA) Correa Aderholt Buck Costa Aguilar Budd Costello (PA) Allen Burgess Courtney Amash Bustos Cramer Amodei Byrne Crawford Arrington Calvert Crist Crowlev Babin Capuano Bacon Carbajal Cuellar Banks (IN) Cárdenas Culberson Curbelo (FL) Carson (IN) Barletta Barr Carter (GA) Davidson Barragán Carter (TX) Davis (CA) Barton Cartwright Davis, Danny Davis, Rodney Bass Castor (FL) Beatty Castro (TX) DeFazio Bera Chabot DeGette Bergman Chaffetz Delaney Biggs Cheney DeLauro Chu, Judy Bilirakis DelBene Bishop (GA) Cicilline Demings Bishop (MI) Clark (MA) Denham Dent Bishop (UT) Clarke (NY) Black Clay Cleaver DeSantis Blackburn DeSaulnier Blum Clvburn DesJarlais Blumenauer Coffman Deutch Blunt Rochester Diaz-Balart Cohen Bonamici Cole Dingell Collins (GA) Doggett Bost Boyle, Brendan Collins (NY) Donovan Comer Doyle, Michael Brady (PA) Comstock Duffy Brady (TX) Conaway Connolly Duncan (SC) Brat Convers Bridenstine Duncan (TN) Brooks (IN) Cook Dunn